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Connecticut Citizens Defense League, Inc.

Testimony to the honorable members of the Judiciary Committee

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Regarding: Raised Bill No. 1094 - AN ACT BANNING LARGE CAPACITY AMMUNITION MAGAZINES.

To the Members of the Judiciary Committee:

I would like express in the strongest possible way that I am wholly opposed to this proposed legislation.

- It would only serve to punish law abiding citizens, like myself, who own firearms. The objective
 of this bill is to prevent criminals from obtaining and utilizing large capacity magazines during
 the commission of a crime.
- It would be unreasonably costly to tax payers to assure that *law abiding* citizens are complying. There is no way to verify that lawbreakers are conforming.
- It is highly UN-enforceable. Magazines larger than 10 rounds are easily obtained from many legal sources either by travelling to out of state retailers or via Internet vendors.
- It would not have the effect it was intended to have. A person proficient in handling a firearm could easily replace an empty magazine in their gun in a matter of moments
- This would negatively impact firearms manufacturers in our state. This would only be one more reason for a company leave the state with its workforce AND tax dollars. It would affect not only their revenue, but Connecticut's as well.

Please don't unjustly penalize law abiding citizens. There are already many, many laws focused on gun ownership. The laws we have should be enforced before adding another that will unnecessarily burden law enforcement by having them concentrate their time and energy on people already obeying the myriad of rules, restrictions and regulations imposed by our state.

Thank you for your time and attention. Please contact me if I can be of further assistance.

Kind Regards,

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Every citizen has a right to bear opins in defense of himself and the state. Connecticul State Constitution, Article First, Section 15